



# THE TOWN CRIER

## LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

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**FREE PARKING**

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# FREE **P**ARKING on December Saturdays



Liskeard Town Council and Cornwall Council have arranged for **FREE PARKING** in Liskeard town car parks (Westbourne, Cattle Market and Upper Sungirt) on December Saturdays before Christmas.

Grab this opportunity for some leisurely Christmas shopping in Liskeard. Explore the mix of independent shops and national chains – you'll be amazed at what you discover. Browse amongst the friendly shops offering great local produce, crafts and gifts, as well as everyday essentials.

Enjoy a delicious lunch or treat yourself with a coffee and cake at one of the wide variety of welcoming cafes.



## YOUR Information Centre

Have you been into the Tourist Information Centre recently? Don't be put off by the word 'tourist', we're here for local people too, with bus and train timetables, information on local walks and attractions and all the fantastic local events.



We also have a unique gift shop with local books, gifts, scrumptious Cornish Chocolate, Fudge, Biscuits and Tea plus locally made glass, pottery and textiles for really special presents. We even stock small toys and pocket money gifts, ideal for stocking fillers!

We're located in the entrance to Liskeard Museum in Pike Street, and open Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm and Saturday 10am to 1pm.

Check out our website [www.visitliskeard.co.uk](http://www.visitliskeard.co.uk) or find us on  Facebook and  Twitter at LiskeardTIC



**Liskeard Tourist Information Centre**

**VISIT LISKEARD**  
FOR THE EXPLORER IN YOU

# A Message from the Mayor

It was an honour and privilege to be elected Mayor of Liskeard. Previous Mayors have said the same, but we would not be able to fulfil the role without the support of our dedicated office staff and Town Clerk, and fellow councillors. We are one big team with the Mayor as captain.

I am only halfway through my mayoral year which has been incredibly busy. The Town Council has just agreed new Aims until 2021, following consultation at St Matthews fair, and will now draw up a plan to achieve them.

We recently agreed to financially support Young People Cornwall with their Liskeard Youth Work, enabling them to continue valuable work to support 11-19 year olds, providing an open access youth centre at the Liskerrett Centre. This offers a safe space for young people to meet, receive information, advice and guidance on a wide range of issues and access a range of positive activities designed to build their personal and social development.

The Liskeard draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has moved a step closer to becoming 'made' in law, with a Cornwall Council consultation just finishing. In the New Year there will be a referendum, and if accepted it will become a valuable planning document until 2030. It has been driven by community volunteers, supported by the Town Council, and we are indebted to them for their hard work.

Liskeard in Bloom has won several awards this year (more details on p6) and are now planning for next year. To kick-start funding, volunteers ran a charity shop for a week which raised



£437.50. Look out for another early next year.

I enjoyed welcoming people to the Mayor's Parlour and Council Chamber during Liskeard Unlocked in September, and thank all the local organisations who worked together to stage this wonderful free event.

These are just a few examples of the people and organisations in Liskeard working together to achieve great things.

The Lions are now busy rehearsing for their annual pantomime, and we all look forward to seeing it in January.

This year for the Mayor's charity I am supporting our primary schools, Hillfort and St Martin's, together with the Next Step Liskeard Stroke Club where my husband Terry and I volunteer.

I hope many of you will join me at the Mayor's Candlelit Carol Service at the Methodist Church on Sunday 17th December at 6pm, being broadcast live on Liskeard Radio.

Finally, Terry and I would like to send you all best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

*- Councillor Christina Whitty,  
Mayor of Liskeard*

# Nadelik Lyskerrys

Liskeard Cornish  
Christmas 2017

Friday 1 December  
8pm | Liskeard Public Hall

## HELGH GWYLS:

### Wild Hunt (over 18s only)

A carol singing expedition through Cornish folklore. Join Dando's Dogs for a Wild Hunt around Liskeard.

Saturday 2 December  
1pm | Stuart House Arts  
and Heritage Centre

## LERGH TEYLU NADELIK:

### Family Christmas Trail

A Festive, Cornish Language Trail around Liskeard for children and their families.

Saturday 2 December  
5.30pm | Cattle Market Car Park

## LYSKERRYS A ENOW KESKERDH LUGERN:

### Liskeard Lights Up Lantern Procession

Liskeard's annual lantern procession, the switching on of the Christmas lights and firework display.

Saturday 2 December  
7pm | Liskeard Public Hall

## GOOL NADELIK:

### Cornish Christmas Fair

Eat, drink and be merry with Cornish Language music and entertainment. Food and drink from local businesses, Cornish Language entertainment, music from Skillywidden and more.

No booking, no registration needed:  
**Just turn-up! One and all welcome!**



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# Festive Events

## in Liskeard during December

Don't forget that **Liskeard Radio** will be broadcasting daily from 25th November to 22nd December on **87.7 FM**



WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	TIME
1st	Liskeard Vintage Fair	Liskeard Public Hall	4-8pm
2nd to 23rd	Christmas Tree Festival	Liskeard Methodist Church	10am-12.30pm
3rd	Toy Service	Liskeard Methodist Church	9.30am
4th to 22nd	Christmas Fair	Stuart House	9.30am-3.30pm
8th	Wesley Toddler Group Nativity	Liskeard Methodist Church	10am
8th	Liskeard Girl Guide Carol Service	Liskeard Methodist Church	6pm
9th	Christmas Food and Craft Market	Liskeard Public Hall	10am-3pm
9th	Christmas Fair	Little Stars Nursery	10am-2pm
9th	Joy to the World – Christmas Concert <b>F</b>	Liskeard Methodist Church	7pm
10th	Macmillan Concert with Liskerrett Male Voice Choir <b>F</b>	Liskeard Public Hall	7pm
12th	Liskeard Arts Talk – St Nicholas and Santa <b>F</b>	Liskeard Public Hall	7-9pm
16th	Festive Get Together	Liskerrett Centre	10am - 2pm (TBC)
17th	Carol Service with Liskeard Silver Band	St Martin's Church	6pm
17th	Mayor's Candlelit Carol Service	Liskeard Methodist Church	6pm
20th	'Sounds Like Christmas' musical <b>F</b>	St Martin's Church	7pm
21st	'Sounds Like Christmas' musical <b>F</b>	Eliot House Hotel	7pm
24th	Make your own Christingle	Liskeard Methodist Church	4pm
24th	Christmas Eve Christingle Service	Liskeard Methodist Church	5pm

All events are free admission, except those marked **F** where an entry fee applies.

For more information on these and other festive events, visit [www.visitliskeard.co.uk/christmas-in-liskeard](http://www.visitliskeard.co.uk/christmas-in-liskeard)



# Liskeard in Bloom

Liskeard in Bloom was launched in March, by the then Mayor of Liskeard, Councillor Jane Pascoe. Building on the success of the previous year's award-winning displays in Fore Street, the Mayor asked town centre businesses to make space for a hanging basket, window box or tub of flowers.

Managed by the Liskeard Town Forum, it now involves many organisations and volunteers.

They have filled the town centre with flowers, enhancing the main highway through the town, welcoming visitors and delighting the eye. This has won awards, including a South West in Bloom Gold Award for Best Town Centre. At the South East Cornwall in Bloom Awards, Liskeard scooped four



awards for Best Market Town, Best Café, Best Retail and the Best Overall Winner.

Hundreds of hours of volunteer time have pulled off the unimaginable. The town looked amazing.

Plans for 2018 are already underway. To get involved, contact the Town Forum by emailing [info@liskeardforum.org.uk](mailto:info@liskeardforum.org.uk)

## Seagull Chat - ACT NOW!



You know me in the summer when, like any parent, I'm protective of my young. I have a bad rep for scavenging, but what gull would turn down discarded pizza!

With the loss of our natural habitat, I came to town. Litter, landfill sites, easy food, warmth, great nesting sites - we gulls were in heaven. Now we don't know how to leave!

We made our nests, and you helped us settle in, chucking out food and enticing us with bin bags that take seconds to unwrap!

I've heard we're a nuisance; your Town Council is looking for ways to make it easier to live with us. Householders should clear away old nests, before March when we roost. If you don't want us living with you next year, protect your roof with netting. Small-mesh please: lost a few friends trapped in dangerous stuff; squawked for days.

We're good parents. Try to give our young a wide berth. Wave a hand above your head, scares us silly, or a parasol in the garden will help keep us away.

We'll do our best to work with your Council, but if you don't want us snacking on your lawn, don't give us easy food – we can't resist.

## Meet Your New Councillors



### Councillor Tyler Bennetts

For the last 18 years, I have worked in people support. I've been a counsellor, drugs support worker and more recently a trainer, improving care standards for people who receive services. I volunteer weekly for vulnerable people and am passionate about ensuring people everywhere receive fair treatment and support. I've also supported vulnerable people in their applications for support at assessments and tribunals.

I was terrified and honoured to be elected Deputy Mayor and have really enjoyed meeting people all around the district and seeing the enormous amount of activities carried on locally.

I'm very interested in improving disabled access within the town as I believe one of the ways of improving the town's viability is by making it accessible to all.

I am also keen to see the town support young people, and sit on the Committee for the Youth Club. I am delighted with the great work already achieved.

I was very excited to be Father Christmas for the Liskeard Community Action Christmas party in 2016 and hope to reprise that role if my beard grows in time!

### Councillor Naomi Taylor

After growing up in Saltash, I moved to Liskeard in 2000, where I now live, work and have 2 sons at school.

I have always had an interest in politics and current affairs. I sit on the Communications and Engagement, Facilities and Planning committees, and put a high priority on what the town provides for younger people and families, as well as adequate affordable housing provision, balanced with employment prospects.

I am concerned about special needs provision and would like to make the town more autism friendly, knowing personally how hard it is to take children with sensory issues into a busy town centre.

I am incredibly proud of the town, and the exciting changes and developments ahead. I am a passionate supporter of investment in the town, while protecting its heritage.



Details of all our Councillors and contact information are available on the website ([www.liskeard.gov.uk](http://www.liskeard.gov.uk)) or from the Town Council office (3-5 West Street, Liskeard).



LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL



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## Want to help your local community? Interested in Liskeard Town Council?

*Passionate about where you live?*

*Ever considered being a Liskeard Town Councillor?*

Town Councillors are people elected to the Town Council to represent their local community – you do **not** need to be a member of a political party. The Town Council needs to reflect the communities it serves, so whatever your age, background or skills you could be the perfect person. You just need some time, enthusiasm and commitment.

We currently have **2 vacancies**, with an **election on 18 January 2018** – see the *Elections - Be a Councillor* page of our website or contact the office for more details.

## Liskeard Town Council - Contacts

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### Other contacts:

Mayor's Secretary

Public Hall Bookings

[accounts@liskeard.gov.uk](mailto:accounts@liskeard.gov.uk)

[reception@liskeard.gov.uk](mailto:reception@liskeard.gov.uk)

## HIRE THE PUBLIC HALL

The Public Hall Complex, situated at 3-5 West Street, is available for hire for a wide variety of commercial and social events. It can accommodate conferences, dances, meetings, wedding receptions, birthday parties, fayres, anniversary celebrations, concerts and shows.

**Main Hall:** seating capacity 300, disabled access from Barras Place. Loop system, lighting, sound, large screen (20' x 10'). *Hire charges from £71 per session.*

**Refreshment Room:** seating capacity 60, with kitchen. *Hire charge £18.*

**New Liskeard Room:** seating capacity 40, with kitchenette. *Hire charge £17.*

**Quimperle Room:** seating capacity 40, with kitchenette. *Hire charge £17.*

**Long Room:** seating capacity 60, with kitchen & loop system. *Hire charge £18.*

**Council Chamber:** for formal meetings, seating capacity 30, with loop system. *Hire charge £17.*

- **Wi Fi** is available in the complex at no extra charge.
- **Pay and Display car park** in West Street convenient for the Complex.
- All Hire Charges are per session (Morning 9.00am - 1.00pm; Afternoon 1.30 - 5.30pm; Evening 6.00 - 10.00 / 11.00pm).
- Discounts for charities and not-for-profit events. Sunday rates apply.